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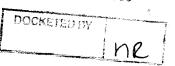
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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BELLA VISTA WATER COMPANY, INC., AN ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR AUTHORITY (1) TO ISSUE EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000 IN CONNECTION WITH (A) THE CONSTRUCTION OF WATER SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND (2) TO ENCUMBER ITS REAL PROPERTY AND PLANT AS SECURITY FOR SUCH INDEBTEDNESS.

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APPLICATION (FINANCING)

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Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 40-285, 40-301 and 40-302, Bella Vista Water Company, Inc. ("BVWC" or the "Company"), an Arizona public service corporation, hereby applies for authority from the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") to (1) issue evidence of indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$65,000 on the terms and conditions to be set forth by the Water Infrastructure and Finance Authority ("WIFA"), and (2) encumber its real property and utility plant as security for such indebtedness. This debt will be incurred for the purpose of the installation of fire hydrant locks in the BVWC system.

In support of this application, BVWC states as follows:

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General Background. A.

- 1. The Company is a public service corporation providing water service to approximately 8,548 customers in Santa Cruz County, Arizona. BVWC's current rates and charges were authorized in Decision No. 65350 (November 1, 2002).
- 2. BVWC's business office is located at 4055 Campus Drive, Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635. Its telephone number is (520) 458-5470, and its telecopier number is (520) 459-6680. The Company's primary management contact is Greg Sorensen. Mr. Sorensen is also responsible for overseeing and directing the conduct of this Application. His telephone and telecopier numbers are (623) 298-3753 and (623) 935-1020 respectively. His email address is Greg.Sorensen@algonquinwater.com. discovery, data requests and other requests for information concerning this Application should be directed to Mr. Sorensen, with a copy to counsel for the Company in this matter, Jay L. Shapiro (jshapiro@fclaw.com).
- Financial statements for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 2008. 3. are attached at Exhibit 1.

Purposes of Financial Transactions. В.

4. The primary purpose of the long-term debt financing contemplated herein is to install fire hydrant locks in the BVWC system. The total estimated cost of the additional plant and improvements is approximately \$65,000.00. The Company will provide a detailed breakdown of the estimated cost of the water system improvements as a late-filed exhibit. The water infrastructure improvements are necessary to reduce water loss due to theft.

Terms and Conditions of Financial Transactions. C.

5. The Company has applied to WIFA for financing, in large part, because WIFA expects to receive monies from the recent federal stimulus package. Copies of the Company's WIFA application is attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**. However, the specific, ___

actual terms of the WIFA financing are not known at this time. BVWC will supplement if and when such information becomes available.

6. The Company expects that its repayment obligation to WIFA will be secured by the grant of a security interest in some or all of its real property and its water plant and system, which property and facilities are yet to be identified.

D. Effects of Financial Transactions.

- 7. The Company's proforma balance sheet for the period ending December 31, 2008, is attached at **Exhibit 3**. The pro forma balance sheet reflects the impact of the financing transactions that are the subject of this Application. The pro forma income statements will be filed as a late filed exhibit to this Application. The loan proceeds will be issued for lawful purposes, and the execution of the loan agreement with WIFA and the grant of a security interest in BVWC's real property, plant and system, and the undertaking of the obligations set forth therein are within the Company's corporate powers. A Corporate Resolution authorizing the contemplated transaction is attached at **Exhibit 4**.
- 8. The financial transactions contemplated herein are compatible with sound financial practices. BVWC has been urged by the Commission's Chairman to seek WIFA financing to help address capital improvement needs with low cost financing. BVWC agrees that the pursuit of such financing is warranted.
- 9. The approvals sought herein are compatible with the public interest and with the proper performance of BVWC's duties as a public service corporation. The proceeds of the financing will be utilized exclusively to install fire hydrant locks in the BVWC system. No portion of the proceeds will be used to pay operating expenses. The approvals sought herein are necessary to ensure the Company's ability to continue to provide safe and reliable water utility service in compliance with all applicable law and regulation, including the rules and regulations of ADEQ.

- 10. The financing contemplated herein will not impair the Company's ability to perform its duties as a public service corporation providing water utility service.
- 11. BVWC is in the process of providing notice of this application by publishing notice, in the form provided by the Commission, in a newspaper of general circulation in the area in which the Company provides service. Proof of publication and a true copy of the notice as it appeared in the newspaper will be filed with the Commission.
- 12. The Company is submitting this Application at this time due to WIFA requirements, and shall seasonably provide supplements as additional information becomes available.

Based on the foregoing, Bella Vista Water Company, Inc. respectfully requests the following:

- A. That the Commission consider this application on an expedited basis, including the scheduling of a hearing, if necessary, on this matter as soon as practicable;
- B. That the Commission enter an order approving this Application and authorizing Bella Vista Water Company, Inc. to incur indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$65,000 and to encumber its real property and utility plant and system to secure such indebtedness for the purposes described hereinabove; and
- C. That the Commission authorize Bella Vista Water Company, Inc. to take such other and further action as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Application, as may be appropriate under the circumstances herein.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 13th day of March, 2009.

FENNEMORE CRAIG, P.C.

By:
Jay L. Shapiro
Patrick Black

Attorneys for Applicant Bella Vista Water Company, Inc.

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	2008
Revenue	
Metered Water Revenues	\$3,374,725
Other Revenues	126,035
Total Revenue	3,500,760
Operating Expenses	
Salaries and Wages	
Purchases Water	691
Purchased Power	537,026
Fuel for Power Production	
Sludge and Removal Expense	
Chemicals	4,148
Materials & Suppplies	35,187
Contractual Services - Accounting	5,009
Contractual Services - Testing	59,590
Contractual Services - Other	1,267,709
Contractual Services - Legal	17,907
Equipment Rental	5,857
Rents - Building	60,600
Transportation Expenses	81,847
Insurance - General Liability	40,425
Insurance - Vehicle	4,887
Regulatory Commission Expense	9,190
Miscellaneous Expense	62,153
Bad Debt Expense	11,043
Depreciation & Amortization	540,030
Property Taxes	191,285
Total Operating Expenses	2,934,584
Operating Income	566,176
Interest Expense	120,889
Total Other Income (Expense)	120,889
Net Profit (Loss)	445,287

	2008	Ajdustments	2008 Proforma
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash - Operating	\$77,418		\$77,418
Accounts Receivable	356,732		\$356,732
Prepaids	20,519		\$20,519
Deposits	1,135		\$1,135
Total Current Assets	455,804		455,804
Intercompany			
Net Property Plant and Equipment	13,378,306	65,000	\$13,443,306
Other Assets			
Deferred Costs	6,959		\$6,959
Total Other Assets	6,959	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$6,959
Total Assets	13,841,069	65,000	13,906,069
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	494,586		\$494,586
Current Taxes Payable	(10,241)		(\$10,241)
Current Portion of Long Term Debt	111,632		\$111,632
Total Current Liabilities	595,977		595,977
Long Term Liabilities			
Intercompany Notes Payable	381,043	. H	\$381,043
Third Party Loans	1,424,266	65,000	\$1,489,266
Customer Meter Deposits	723,792		\$723,792
Customer Advances in Aid of Construction	6,409,201		\$6,409,201
Deferred Income Tax	(101,160)		(\$101,160)
Total Long Term Liabilities	8,837,142	65,000	8,902,142
Total Liabilities	9,433,119	65,000	9,498,119
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY			
Contributed Capital			
Common Shares	1,898,028		\$1,898,028
Total Contributed Capital	1,898,028		1,898,028
Earnings			.
Retained Earnings	4,807,257		\$4,807,257
Year to Date Income Dividends Paid	445,287 (2,742,622)		\$445,287 (\$2,742,622)
Total Earnings	2,509,922		2,509,922
Total Shareholders' Equity	4,407,950	1816-2016-2016-2016-2016-2016-2016-2016-20	4,407,950
Total Liabilities and Equity	13,841,069	65,000	13,906,069

DRINKING WATER APPLICATION Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA) Project Financial Assistance Priority List Application

SECTION 1: APPLICATION I	NFORMATION	A	PPLICATION NUMBER: DW-185-20	009 Print
1.1 Applicant;	Bella Vista Water Co	mpany	Job Title: Business Manager	
1.2 Contact Names: First	Martin		Middle Initial: K	Last: Garlant
1.3 Address:	4055 Campus Dr	AND THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF	City: Sierra Vista	State: AZ Zip: 85636
1.4 Phone:	(520) 281-7000	Fax: (520) 281-7433	E-Mail: martin.garlant@algonquinpowe	r.com
1.5 County in Which Project	is Located: Cochise			
1.6 Number of Connections to	System: 8548	Population Served by t	he System: 25644	
1.7 Average Monthly Fee (Ba	nse + Use): \$45.00			
1.8 Existing Debt (principal of	only) Payable by System	Users: \$1,840,244.82	rounded	
1.9 Median Household Incom	ie: \$38,427.00			
1.10 ADEQ System Identifica	ation Number (PWS #):	AZ0402010,AZ0402007		
1.11 Are you ACC Regulated	? ② Yes O No			
1.12 Has this project received	l prior year WIFA fundi	ng?		
	16i	iest that received posistor	ice in a previous funding cycle	
	•	ed TA funds in a previous		
	-			
Yes, request is for addit	ional financial assistanc	e to offset actual costs of	justified overtuns	
1.13 Is your company register (You will be required to			No ion of a loan or grant agreement.)	
SECTION 2: PROPOSED DRI	NKING WATER FIN	ANCIAL ASSISTANCE	PROJECT	
2.1 Project Title/Name: Inst	allation of Fire Hydrant Lo	ocks		
2.2 Type of loan required dur	ing this funding cycle?	Design \$0.00	and/or Construction \$65	000.00
2.3 Briefly summarize below	the problem (Mail or u	pload any supporting doc	umentation)	
Bella Vista Water Compositantly looks for ways to hydrants.	pany (BVWC) is locate reduce water loss in or	d in Sierra Vista, AZ, in rder to conserve our natu:	the San Pedro River Natural Conservat ral resources. Part of the problems enco	ion Area, In order to protect ou intered is water loss due to thef
2.4 Briefly summarize below	the Solution			
Installation of fire hydroresources.	ant locks will provide	a very effective and low	cost solution to water loss due to theft	from hydrants, as well as help
2.5 Project Purpose: (Select o	only one)			
Assist Non-Compliant	Systems to Achieve Cor	npliance		
Assist Compliant Syste	ms to Meet Future Requ	nnts		
 Assist Compliant Syste 	ms to Maintain Compli	ance		
Other Assistance Not C	omnliance Related			

3.1 Select Type(s) of Needs to be Funded		
Planning and Design Only	Treatment-Bacteriological	Treatment-Surface Water
Treatment-Nitrate	Treatment-Arsenic	Treatment-Radionuclides
Treatment-Organic Chemical(s)	Treatment-Primary Standard [Metals(s)]	Treatment-DBP
Treatment-Other	Transmission and Distribution	Source
Storage	Purchase of System(s)	Restructuring
Land Acquisition		
3.2 Select Expected Project Benefit(s)		
Compliance - Existing Requirements	Compliance - New Requirements	Expand Service
Reduce Public Health Risks		
3.3 Water Quality Improvement		
Proposed project addresses deficiencies ide	entified by ADEQ Submitted a con	plete capacity development plan to ADEQ
Proposed project includes installing meters	to monitor water use	
3.4 Consolidation and Regionalization		
Consolidate physical facilities of existing n	nultiple facilities Extending service	ce to existing areas currently served by ano
Consolidate the operations of existing mult	iple facilities Consolidate the	ownership of existing multiple facilities
3.5 System Compliance *must mail or upload supp	porting documents	
O Notice of violations and/or consent orders	from regulatory agency *	
In compliance		
SECTION 4: READINESS TO PROCEED INDICA	TORS	
4.1 Debt Authorization (For more information, se	e <u>WIFA Debt Authorization Guidance Document</u>)	
(mail or upload copy of official	al governing body debt authorization resolution or election	n results)
Oate of Election or Authorization Unknow	vn	
◯ Scheduled		
If scheduled, enter anticipated election or a	authorization date: [mm/dd/yyyy]	
4.2 Project Design (Select only one)		
© Completed C Engineer Selected C E	Date of Completion Unknown Scheduled for Comple	tion
4.3 Applicable Plan and Specification Approvals	s (Select only one)	
Obtained (mail or upload approval notific	ation)	
O Date of Approval Unknown		
Not Applicable (use textbox below to exp	lain)	
Scheduled to Obtain Permits		
If scheduled, enter anticipated permit(s) da	ate: [mm/dd/yyyy] of hydrant locks to prevent water loss through theft	
4.4 Project Bids (Select only one)		
Solicited Project for Bidding Date of	f Solicit Unknown Scheduled to Solicit Bid(s)	

Funding Source		Project Costs		
Amount Funded Locally:		\$0.00		
Amount Requested from V	/IFA:	\$65,000.00		
Other Source:		\$0.00		
Total Cost:		\$65,000.00		
5.3 As the Authorized Represen	tative, I certify that the information contained	I in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true, accurat		
First Name	Last Name	Title		
Martin	Garlant	Business Manager		
Martil				
5.4 Uploaded Supporting Docu	ments			
	Document Name	Original Name		

ADDENDUM TO PPL APPLICATION Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA) American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

Community Name:	Bella Vista Water Company	Date:	Friday, 03/06/2009 @ 11:13 AM
Project Contact:	Martin Garlant	Phone:	(520) 281-7000
Project ID:	DW-185-2009	Email:	martin.garlant@algonquinpower.com
Project Title:	Installation of Fire Hydrant Locks		
Should this Application	on be considered for American Recovery and Reinve	estment Act funds? (a) Yes	No. If Yes, complete the following que
As stated in the cover le requires WIFA to provi	etter, the purpose of the Act is to provide funds that wil de preference to those purposes.	l stimulate job creation throu	gh swift initiation of infrastructure projects. The
SECTION 1: PREFEI	RENCE FOR QUICK START		
expeditiously, inclu	In using funds made available in this Act for infrastructions a goal of using at least 50 percent of the funds fill also use grant funds in a manner that maximizes job of	or activities that can be initi	ated not later than 120 days after the date of the
1.1 As of February	17, 2009, when will your project be prepared to start co	onstruction?	
Already Starte	d 🔘 Within 60 days 🔘 Within 120 days 🥮 Within	180 days 🔾 Within 365 day	rs
To enter into a loa "WIFA Debt Autho	n agreement, organizations must have debt authorizat rization Guidance Document" and "Sample Debt Auth	tion. If you are not sure what orization Resolution."	at this requires for your organization, refer to V
1.2 Do you currentl	y have debt authorization? O Yes @ No . If no, who	en will do you plan on receiv	ring debt authorization? Prior to:
	14, 2009 O May 19, 2009 O June 16, 2009 Oth		
	f construction, when will construction be completed an rears Within 3 years	d/or the final loan disbursem	ent be requested from WIFA? Within 6 mor
•	AMERICAN IRON, STEEL, AND MANUFACTU	NED COODS	
	Use of American Iron, Steel, and Manufactured Goods.		original or otherwise made available by this Act n
project for the cons	truction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public t United States. (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any	ouilding or public work unles	s all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods u
applying siron, steelquality; or	subsection (a) would be inconsistent with the public int , and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced	erest; d in the United States in suffi	icient and reasonably available quantities and of:
inclusionIf the head the head of	of iron, steel, and manufactured goods produced in the d of a Federal department or agency determines that it of the department or agency shall publish in the Federal on shall be applied in a manner consistent with United	is necessary to waive the app I Register a detailed written j	lication of subsection (a) based on a finding undensification as to why the provision is being waiv
2.1 Are you willing	to include this "Use of American Iron, Steel, and Man	ufactured Goods" requireme	nt in your plans and specification documents and
	ntation that you have complied with this requirement?	Yes ○ No	
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	eady solicited bids, was this requirement included? Cidjust you answer in Section 1, if necessary.	Yes 🎱 No If No, would y	ou be willing to re-bid? O Yes No If you!
SECTION 3: WAGE	RATE REQUIREMENT		
Sec. 1606. Notwith	astanding any other provision of law and in a manner of	consistent with other provision	ons in this Act, all laborers and mechanics emple

and subcontractors on projects funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through the Federal Government pursuant to this Act shall be not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter 1 title 40, United States Code. With respect to the labor standards specified in this section, the Secretary of Labor shall have the authority and fur Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1267; 5 U.S.C. App.) and section 3145 of title 40, United States Code.

3.1 Are you willing to include this "Wage Rate Requirement" in your plans and specification documents and provide supporting documen with this requirement? Yes No If No, please provide a brief explanation below:		
	ii No, picase provide a oriei explanation below.	73
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	3.2 If you have already solicited bids, was this requirement included? Yes No If No, would you be willing to re-bid? Yes No and re-bid, please adjust you answer in Section 1, if necessary.	o Ifyoul
	SECTION 4: POTENTIAL PROJECT DELAYS	
	4.1 To your knowledge, are there any issues such as NEPA compliance, SHPO compliance, Permit requirements, etc, that could possibly dela Yes No If yes, please explain briefly below:	y your pro
	if yes, picase explain offerly octow.	777
	SECTION 5: REPORTING REQUIREMENTS	
	5.1 Each Calendar quarter during construction, you will be required to provide a report outlining at a minimum the following information:	
	3.1 Each Calcinum quarter during construction, you will be required to provide a report outlining at a minimum the following information.	
	 Completion status of the project Estimated number of jobs created each quarter Estimated number of jobs retained since the last quarter 	
	Will you be capable of providing this type of reporting?	
	5.2 Please estimate the total number of jobs 2 that will be created or retained if this project receives ARRA funding and provide a brief	
	Retainage of (2) field personnel to install hydrant locks throughout system.	
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	SECTION 6: GREEN, EFFICIENT, INNOVATIVE PROJECTS	
	6.1 Does your project address any of the following; green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements or other environmentally in Yes No	nnovative
	 6.2 Sustainability Infrastructure Practices A. Water Re-Use & Conservation - Project/System The use of improved technologies and practices to deliver equal or better services with less water. 	Perce
	project will generate or utilize reclaimed water for direct re-use	
	poject will correct water loss issues	
	project will enhance water conservation program(s) B. Energy Use & Conservation (Efficiency) Includes capital projects that reduce the energy consumption of eligible water quality projects or produce clean energy used by a treatment works	
	project will significantly improve system efficiency	
	project will employ significant alternative energy sources and/or co-generation efforts	
	project will include an Energy Audit	
	C. Green Practices (Green Infrastructure) Green Infrastructure includes a wide array of practices at multiple scales that manage wet weather to maintain and restore natural	
	hydrology by infiltrating, evapotranspiring and capturing and using stormwater.	
	project will address stormwater through green infrastructure practices	
	 D. Environmentally Innovative Projects Projects that demonstrate new and/or innovative approaches to managing water resources in a more sustainable way, including projects 	
	that achieve pollution prevention or pollutant removal at the least life-cycle cots, subject to environmental review results. Includes approaches to incorporate green infrastructure into drinking water, stormwater and wastewater utility infrastructure and management.	
	approaches to incorporate green intrastructure into drinking water, stormwater and wastewater turnly intrastructure and management. project utilizes solid waste reduction alternatives	
	project meets EPA "Green Building" practices	
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	other:	

6.3 As the Authorized Representative, I certify that the information contained in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true, accurate

First Name	Last Name	Title		
Martin	Garlant	Busines	s Manager	
Authorized Signature	e: mother	Date: _	3/6/29	
	um must be printed, signed and returned	d to WIFA	within 5 days of elect	ronic submittal



March 12, 2009

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

RE: Debt Authorization

Algonquin Water Resources of America ("AWRA"), a Delaware corporation, owns 18 water and wastewater utilities in the States of Arizona, Texas, Missouri and Illinois. The following AWRA owned utilities are making applications to Arizona's Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) for loans to finance capital works:

Litchfield Park Service Company (LPSCo), located in Litchfield Park, Avondale, Goodyear and Maricopa County;

Bella Vista Water Co, Inc. located in Sierra Vista and Hereford;

Northern Sunrise Water Company, Inc. located in Whetstone;

Southern Sunrise Water Company, Inc. located in Hereford;

Rio Rico Utilities Inc., located in Rio Rico; and

Black Mountain Sewer Corporation, located in Carefree and Cave Creek.

Debt Authorization is hereby granted as of this date to these utilities by AWRA, all of which is subject to approval of the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC). Application to the ACC for approval of the debt will be made by each relevant utility within three (3) weeks of notification by WIFA that its application has been approved. Each utility has no control over the time it will take to receive ACC approval of the debt.

Yours very truly,

David Bronicheski

Chief Financial Officer

Robert Dodds

President